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The items herein are cited in a foreign search report dated December 18, 2002 for corresponding International Application PCT/US02/31379. A copy of said search report setting forth the relevance of the cited items is enclosed herewith. The following items are enclosed:

US 5,282,355

DE 10,060,808

DE 19,731,926

EP 0,166,480

FR 2,648,183

EP 0 741 236

EP 0 815 924

The citation of the listed items is not a representation that they constitute a complete or exhaustive listing of the relevant art or that the references are prior art. The items listed are submitted in good faith, but are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of these particular items, they will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.



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The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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